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Letter dated 28 February 2011 from the Permanent Representative of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to inform you that, in accordance with United Nations Security Council resolutions, the North Atlantic Council has decided to contribute to the response to acts of piracy off the Horn of Africa, as well as undertake its mandate through the use of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Standing Naval Maritime Groups composed of ships from different NATO member States, which, in the context of conducting their mission, may be required to enter the territorial or internal waters of Somalia.

In this regard, on behalf of the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia, I have the honour to inform you that we have given advance notification to the Secretary-General, in accordance with Security Council resolutions 1897 (2009) and 1950 (2010), that the above-mentioned NATO Standing Naval Maritime Groups of vessels are permitted to enter the territorial waters of Somalia for the purpose of their mandated anti-piracy functions.

I would highly appreciate if you could bring the contents of this letter to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Elmi Ahmed **Duale**
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